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"RADIO FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION  
METHOD AND SYSTEM OF VENDING  
PRODUCTS"

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Sir:

The Examiner's attention is directed to the references which are listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A and/or PTO/SB/08B and copies of which are attached.

Citation of these references is respectfully requested.

No concession is made that these documents are prior art, and Applicant expressly reserves the right to antedate the documents as may be appropriate

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